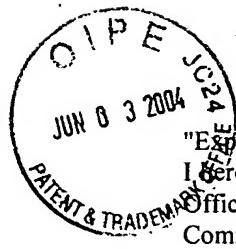


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Serial No.: 10/785,318)
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MORE INTERMEDIATE METAL)
BARRIER LAYERS)

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the following references (copies of which are enclosed) are submitted to the Examiner for consideration:

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Applicant is unaware of art any more pertinent to the above-identified application than the patents cited above.

A "List of Prior Art Cited by Applicant" (PTO Form SB/08A and PTO Form SB/08B) is enclosed for the Examiner's convenience.

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